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Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

Italy will take her part in patrolling the Mediterranean in search of pirate submarines. That ought to mean that none will be found but that their activities will cease. When the "big shot" suspected of engineering piracy takes his place in the posse, we may expect that piracy will cease without casualties. Gilbert and Sullivan ought to be alive today to make use of this groundwork for comic opera.

Ten days after the fall of the Bastille a decree was issued that printers would be held responsible for pamphlets issued by authors without means of subsistence. The new masters had kicked down its leader by which they had risen, so that others could not rise as they did. This is probably where Major Douglas gets his precedent for the advice he gives the government of Alberta to extend its radio circumference and curtail the press by licensing regulations. It did not work during the Terror in France, and it won't work now, but it is curious how the friends of Freedom resort to restrictions of liberty once they achieve power.

Fear of war caused several heavy slumps in the stock market lately and it affected shares of companies that in common opinion, would benefit by war—nickel and noranda for instance. The fact is that peace has every advantage over war in every industry, even those furnishing or in a position to furnish war material. Another fact is that "war prosperity" has already been discounted to some extent by war preparation. We do not expect that what happened in the Great War will happen in a new European war. There will be a heavy slump at first followed by advancing prices as war orders come in but foreign loans will not be so easily obtained and anyone who expects such lavish expenditure as occurred in the late war is going to be disappointed.

Practically all of the munitions business will be confined to the United Kingdom, fully equipped now as she was not in 1914 and there will be better control over prices than there was then. That state of unpreparedness was costly in cash as it was in men. The art of making shells had to be taught. Toward the end of the war, they were being manufactured at one-quarter the cost of 1915. It is difficult to keep a tight curb on expenditures in war-time but experience and necessity will provide a check that was lacking in 1914. Large corporations that are commonly thought to profit by war would, we believe, give a few millions to ensure peace. Any profits they might make on war contracts would be speedily lost in the reaction, and re-establishing after the war is over.

The League of Nations continues to meet, its prestige and authority have been rudely shattered by the bad boys of Germany, Italy and Japan, but hope (Continued on Page 4)

In The Days Of Auld Lang Syne

TEN YEARS AGO
Friday, October 7th, 1927
Vulcan students at the University of Alberta, were Harold Buck, Bud Flood and Joe Korczynski.
Roy Fulton accepted a position at P. McAskile's clothing store and was succeeded on the Groceteria staff by Joe Jardine.

Building of the Church of Christ was well under way.
Mayme Lebeau, Alice Thirle and Elinor Jennejohn were students at Crescent Heights Collegiate in Calgary.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO
Wednesday, October 4, 1922
The Vulcan school fair, held on September 28th, was a great success, many out-of-town visitors viewing the 2700 exhibits.
Slim Moorehouse and his twelve-horse grain hauling team were receiving lots of publicity.
Meetings were being held with the idea of establishing a flour mill in Vulcan.

Church Services For Harold P. Woodward

Funeral services for the late Harold Patterson Woodward, who died on Wednesday, September 29th following a short illness, were conducted by Rev. P. G. McPherson from the United Church on Sunday, October 3rd, and recognition of the esteem in which the deceased was held was seen in the large number of friends who crowded the church to pay their last respects.

Born at Passburg, Alberta, 24 years ago, Harold Woodward resided with his parents at High River, Bassano and Duchess before moving to Vulcan in 1931. For the past two and a half years he had been employed by R. L. Elves as a clerk at the post office and the friendly and courteous service he gave made him a favorite with everyone. Of a quiet and unassuming manner, Harold won the respect of all who knew him and was president of the Young Men's Glee Club and a member of the United Church. He was actively interested in sports, having played hockey and baseball as well as being an enthusiastic member of the tennis club.

Besides a host of friends, he leaves to mourn his passing his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woodward, two sisters, Margaret and Cora, and one brother, Alex., all of Vulcan. Pallbearers at the funeral, represented Harold's many friends among the younger men of town and were Norman Lockhart, Nelson Jamison, Jack Anderson, Albert Collier, Harold King and William Salvage. Interment was made in the Vulcan cemetery under the direction of the Snodgrass Funeral Home.

Vulcan Women's Institute Entertain Grandmothers

The regular October meeting of the Vulcan Women's Institute was held in the Sunday school room of the United Church recently, taking the form of a social afternoon. Several neighboring branches of the W.I. were represented and over twenty grandmothers were present by special invitation. A short but interesting program was presented, each of the neighboring branches contributing a number. Interspersed with community singing. A special table was laid at lunch time for the grandmothers and a dainty gift was presented to Mrs. Chas. Johnston as the youngest grandmother present. A gift was also presented to Mrs. Leighton, who at 83 years, was the oldest grandmother present.

As there was no business transacted at this meeting, all members are urgently requested to be present at the November meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. L. Kuykendall on Friday, Nov. 5th.

Secession From Dominion Can't Be

Impossible Says S. B. Woods, K.C. in Edmonton Journal

What is being discussed is the suggestion offered in a few quarters of an attempted withdrawal of one of the Canadian provinces from the federation of unilateral action of its government for the time being.

In truth such attempted withdrawal if the suggestion of such were to be adopted by the government would amount to nothing more than an announcement by the government of that province that the citizens within its boundaries and the government itself do not propose henceforth to be bound by the laws, criminal and civil, that heretofore have had binding effect upon them, nor to acknowledge the sovereignty that heretofore they have acknowledged. Such a declaration, unless backed by a sufficient military force to carry it out, is merely a nullity.

The jails are full of people who have (presumably) concluded that they would not be bound by the laws of Canada. That is why they are in jail. If the province making such declaration has a military force at its disposal of such character that it can successfully defy the law then its decision to withdraw from Confederation would presumably become effective and it would set up a law making and law enforcing machinery of its own,

VULCAN HAPPENINGS

R. E. Dodds of Sylvan Lake, was a Vulcan visitor this week.

Miss Arlene and Miss Mona Hanson were Calgary visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Ethel Ferguson were High River visitors recently.

Is your subscription paid up to date? The date on the label will tell the story.

Miss Ruth McKay of Toronto, is visiting with friends and relatives in the district.

Clifford McAskile of Little Chicago was a week end visitor in Vulcan with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. McAskile.

Miss Ruth McKay of Toronto is holidaying at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McKay of the Reid Hill district.

Mr. C. Holder, local C.P.R. agent, is spending a two weeks holiday in the United States. He is being relieved during his absence by Mr. Wallace McIntyre.

Don't forget the date of the concert that is being sponsored by the Vulcan Board of Trade, to be held in the Vulcan Theatre on October 20th. The programme will be given in our next issue.

Order your Christmas cards early. A personal greeting card carries that little extra touch that means so much. We have a fine selection for you to choose from, priced from one dollar per dozen up. Just phone 36 and our representative will gladly call.

A meeting of the executive of the Municipal District's Association was held in Vulcan on Tuesday and a date set for the holding of the annual convention of the association. The convention will be held at Vulcan on October 20th and seven municipalities will be represented.

The postponed auction sale of the household effects of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Robson was held on Tuesday and good prices were obtained. Auctioneer C. C. Rebbe will be in charge of another sale on Wednesday, October 13 at the farm of Isaac Jacobson, who is giving up farming. Two half-sections of land will be offered for sale on this date, as well as a complete line of farming equipment.

Donald Sinclair, Berrywater district farmer and member of the M.D. of Marquis council, has been presented with a Coronation medal. The medal is of silver with the King's and Queen's heads pictured in relief on one side and is accompanied by an engraved certificate. Mr. Sinclair is justly proud of the honor conferred on him by presentation of the medal, which was sent direct from Buckingham Palace.

but doing so means successful armed rebellion against the military power not only of Canada, but of Great Britain and her other dominions and dependencies—nothing short of this will serve. For in the last analysis the law of the land must be obeyed; behind it and supporting it where necessary is the police and military force whose aid it is entitled to enlist.

The most outstanding example in modern times of an attempted withdrawal of a number of self-governing units from a federation is that of the southern states of the United States of America in 1861. Their loyalty to their individual states, not to the Union as such. It required four years of dreadful war to resolve the dispute between these two sections of the United States and to unite the country so that the first loyalty of its citizens is to the Union and not to their individual states. Only then did the Union become a nation.

In Canada it is safe to say that the individual loyalty of the vast majority of its citizens is to the federated dominion and not to their individual provinces.

Those who speak of secession in connection with a Canadian province are probably misled by the secession analogy of the vehemence withdrawal of one of the parts of the British commonwealth from the whole. In fact (Continued on Page 2)

THANKSGIVING DAY NEXT MONDAY

This coming Monday, October 11th, will be observed throughout Canada as Thanksgiving Day and all stores will be closed in Vulcan on that date. Shoppers are asked to note the long weekend and lay in their supplies accordingly.

Mrs. David McIntyre Dies After Long Illness

Many friends and old timers in the district learned with regret of the passing on October 4th of Mrs. David McIntyre, in Calgary.

Born in Drayton, North Dakota on July 13th, 1884, Anna Clara Keyes grew up in Dakota and Minnesota, and on July 18th, 1904, became the bride of David McIntyre. Four years later, Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre came to Canada and settled in the Reid Hill district, homesteading six miles east of the Reid Hill store, and in 1920 they moved to Vulcan. Mrs. McIntyre was actively interested in church work and was president of the Catholic Women's League for several years.

She leaves, besides her husband, two daughters, Mrs. G. A. Sales and Mrs. H. LaRoche, of Vulcan, three sons, Gordon of Calgary, Wallace and Mervin of Vulcan, and three brothers, Tom Keyes, in California, and Bill and Jim Kelly in Ontario, and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from St. Andrews Catholic church on Wednesday at 10.30 a.m. Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Ritter. Pallbearers were: L. Spanke, G. E. Drummond, G. C. Collier, B. D. Lockhart, G. McQueen and H. J. Mannen.

SUPP. EXAM RESULTS

Through the courtesy of W. L. Irvine, principal of the Vulcan schools, the following list of supplemental examination results is given. Complete results of the writing of supplemental exams by Vulcan students are not yet available.

Students were successful in passing the supplemental exams as shown: Hugh McPherson, geography; Nora Collier, algebra 2; Marjorie Lommat, chemistry 1; Sibyl Fitzpatrick, chemistry 1; Kenneth Elves, composition 3; Rhoda Seabie, arithmetic; Mary McLiment, French 3; Jean Christie, French 2; Cora Woodward, algebra 2; Mabel Gordon, composition 4; Charles Carson, composition 4; Bill Monkman, literature 4; Phyllis Messenger, French 2 (honors), algebra 2 (honors), geometry 2.

HARVESTING DELAYED

Rain and snow have been falling intermittently for the past week and a heavy downpour over the week end registered about one inch of moisture. Although the rain is needed to replenish the sub-soil moisture it is hoped that the weather will clear up for a sufficient length of time to allow harvesting to be completed. A few fields of stooked grain and many stacks of baled wheat remain to be threshed and farmers, anticipating and hoping for a wet fall, are anxious to complete the harvest.

JOHN D. McLAGGAN DIES AT EDMONTON

Following a long illness, John Dickie McLaggan, proprietor of the McLaggan & Manson grocery store in Vulcan for the past 13 years, died at Edmonton this week. One of Vulcan's most respected businessmen, Mr. McLaggan will be missed by many friends throughout the district.

Coming to Alberta from Scotland Mr. McLaggan first settled in Medicine Hat before moving to Vulcan. He is survived by his wife, Alice, three daughters, Lenora, Norma and Gweneth, all of Vulcan, and one sister, Mrs. J. Congdon of Medicine Hat. Mr. McLaggan was 46 years of age.

Now's the time to pay your subscription.

District Teachers Form Rural A. T. A. Branch

A meeting of teachers was recently held at the Cottonwood Grove school for the purpose of organizing a local branch of the Alberta Teachers' Alliance for the promotion of the educational standards of the districts represented.

Those present were Miss Gold of Sunset school; Miss Weir, Eastway; Miss Christie, Union Jack; Miss Gerard, Pleasant Grove; Mr. E. Bazant, West Arrowwood; Mr. L. A. Scollon, Cottonwood Grove. The following officers were appointed: Mr. L. A. Scollon, president; Miss C. Gold, vice-president; Miss E. Orr, sec.-treas. Mr. Bazant, Miss Christie and Miss Dixon were appointed as a program committee.

Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Cottonwood Grove school at 8 p.m. and all teachers of surrounding schools are cordially invited to join the organization. At the meeting held this Wednesday, Oct. 6th, the following topics were discussed: "Presentation of Social Studies for Division 3" by Mr. Scollon, and "Newest Methods Applied in General Mathematics for Division 3" by Mr. Bazant.

Press Control and What it Would Mean

Fearsome Requirements, Lieut. Gov. Reserves Assent

The Alberta press by final passage of the Act "to ensure the Publication of Accurate News and Information," has been commandeered as another agency for Social Credit propaganda. If the Lieutenant-Governor gives his assent to the legislation, the newspapers are obliged to donate a certain amount of space each day or each week, to statements issued by the government. This is compulsory free advertising, appropriating for nothing the space which the publisher has to sell. In principle it is the same as a toll on the farmer's grain bin, or a titling of the workman's wages.

Every newspaper shall be required to print statements as issued by the chairman of the board under the Social Credit Act, not exceeding one half-page of a daily newspaper, or one-twentieth of a weekly newspaper. The statements must be published in the next regular issue after receipt. The government statements may relate to the objects of the government, the means taken for attaining these objects, the circumstances which hinder the achievement of such objects.

Upon the demand of the chairman of the Board, every publisher or editor, must be prepared to state the source from which any information emanated in any issue of the newspaper, and the names of all persons by whom such information was furnished; the name and address of a writer of any editorial, article or news item. In case the proprietor, editor, etc. have been guilty of any violation of any provisions of the act, the publication of the newspaper may be prohibited. Any person violating any provisions of the act, is liable to a penalty of \$500. Any person violating any order-in-council made pursuant to the act shall be liable to a penalty of \$1000.

Any penalty shall be recoverable by suit brought by the chairman in any civil court, or on summary conviction on the complaint of the chairman.

Statement of the Newspapers
On Friday, Oct. 1, a statement was presented to the Legislative Assembly by the Canadian Weekly Newspapers (Alberta division) and the daily newspapers of Alberta, setting forth the protest of the newspapers. The press of Alberta consists of 96 weekly newspapers and 6 dailies. The statement called attention to the fact that in Great Britain, control of the press was terminated in 1695, and in that year the freedom of the press was established, and control has never been revived. The restrictions on liberty of the press are contained in the law of libel in United States freedom of the press is guaranteed in the Constitution. In Alberta, as elsewhere in Canada, a free press and the right of freedom of public discussion have been enjoyed by every citizen.

To place the powers as outlined in the Act in the hands of the chairman of the Social Credit Board is to establish dictatorship over the press.

DISTRICT GLEANINGS

KIRKCALDY

Mrs. A. J. Maisey returned home on Saturday after spending a week at the home of Mrs. Peter Patterson of Champion.

Mr. Grant Mallory was a visitor in Lethbridge last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Middleton and Mrs. F. Middleton were visitors in Calgary for several days last week.

Mrs. Keegstra and son Jimmy, left on Tuesday for Winnipeg. Jimmy will remain there for some time where he will undergo a very serious operation on his foot.

Wedding

A wedding of interest in Vulcan and district took place in Calgary on September 18th, when Loreen, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKay, and Keith (Scotty) Horns were united in marriage.

The bride grew up in the Reid Hill district and in recent years was on the staff of the Vulcan Municipal Hospital. The groom is also well known locally, having been employed for a number of years by the Alberta Government Telephone Company in Vulcan.

After a short honeymoon spent in Edmonton the young couple left for Medicine Hat, where they will make their home.

CHARTERED BANKS BROADCAST

Canada's chartered banks released their radio time, booked on a network of six Alberta stations from 12 noon to 12.15 Wednesday, October 6th, so that their listeners could hear the play by broadcast of the opening game of the baseball series, it was learned from Edmonton today. Those who planned to hear the Wednesday broadcast of the fifth in the series of non-political, non-controversial addresses written by Vernon Knowles for the chartered banks of Canada may read this short informative talk in next week's issue of the Advocate.

One of the features of dictatorial control of the press in continental Europe is obligatory publication of government propaganda as and when required.

Newspaper Compelled

A newspaper may be compelled to publish statements it knows or believes to be false. It could be compelled to publish attacks on persons and institutions which it believes are entitled to support.

Press Liable

The newspaper could be compelled to publish government statements containing libels on individuals that may do them irreparable harm. Such individuals are deprived by legislation of their right of redress by the courts. On the other hand, the newspaper would remain subject to prosecution under the criminal code.

Sets Up Fear

Any person furnishing news or editorial not acceptable to the government can be deprived of his only means of employment.

The licensing of trades and industries, makes it possible for the government to extend this penalty to those whose names have been given as having supplied information to a reporter or other employee of a newspaper. Thus there could be set up such fear of license as would prevent citizens of Alberta from giving information to newspapers, even by such government propaganda of public interest.

The legislation cannot and does not apply to newspapers published in (Continued on Page 4)

Church Notes

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Thanksgiving Day began with the Pilgrim Fathers, and they always went to church, if possible, before they ate the turkey which they caught on the wing. Supper will be served in the church hall on Saturday from 5.30 till 7.30. Sunday services will be Holy Communion at 11 a.m., Evensong at 7.30. Eastway school Thanksgiving at 3 o'clock.

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In the future, as in the past, Canadian policyholders and beneficiaries must always be the "Big Interests" of Life Insurance.

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Here Everywhere With Other Papers

The Vagaries of Politics
Do things just happen in a haphazard fashion in politics, without rhyme or reason?

For instance, how did Mr. Aberhart or Mr. Hepburn become Provincial premiers? We know that Joe-Louis beat Tommy Farr on points; we know a certain horse wins a certain race—but there is a reason, which is quite obvious.

Contrary to things in politics, things don't happen haphazard in ordinary life, but in an ordered sequence. If we shirk our work we get censure and sometimes what is known as the sack. If we outlaw the laws of health in any way we become ill and pay the price. If we tell lies we are generally found out.

Peculiar to relate, things happen in politics, without any ordered sequence. We know of course that some politicians never lie, they are only misquoted or misunderstood. If they shirk their work it is only through ill health. If they repudiate contracts made by a previous government, it is for the betterment of the people.

Just why some politicians should be able to live under another code than that which governs ordinary mortals, we never could understand.

What spoils many of our politicians is when success comes they begin forthwith to deteriorate, to become less kind and charitable, more arrogant and self-willed, thinking nothing should be allowed to stand in the way of their advancement or their triumph. This has happened throughout history and we presume will continue.—Carleton Canadian.

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Ontario Youth Project

Ontario has become the fifth province to sign an agreement with the Federal Government providing for a program of special relief projects for youths. The scheme calls for an expenditure of \$500,000, split fifty-fifty between the Dominion and the Province. Work will be provided for 5,000 young men and women between the ages of 18 and 30. The program calls for six projects—forest conservation work, technical training in mining, agricultural training, industrial apprenticeship, schools for training household workers, and technical training in urban centres. The Province will select the youths for training, but the agreement stipulated they must be unemployed and there must be no discrimination in relation to social origin, religious views or political affiliations.—Amherstburg Echo.

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Fifty Million "Joiners"

There must be few people in this country who have never joined some society or organization, be it the Mason or Oddfellows, the Kinsmen or the Kiwanis, the Institute or the I.O.D.E., or who, in college days, were not fraternity men or sorority women. Almost from infancy there are groups, clubs and societies extending a beckoning hand to "joiners," and all of us are familiar with men and women, growing and grown-up, who are so busy with their clubs that they have little time for any other activity.

A book was recently published by Charles W. Ferguson entitled "Fifty Million Brothers," in which he has sought to interpret the motives which prompt men and women, boys and girls, to join one or more of the clubs or societies to prevent or to foment trouble, or to propagate ideals.—Hampover Post.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

Edmonton is seeking the services of Dr. W. H. Hill of Calgary, as M.H.O.

Notice is given of the proposals for a Claresholm Municipal hospital.

City Commissioner G. E. Hughes of Calgary, died on October 3.

Claresholm carnival is postponed a week.—Claresholm Press.

While no definite date has been set for the opening of the Little-New York school, the teacher will be Miss Eugena Foutnier, B.A., of Calgary.

"When did you hurt your hand, Corky?" "Coming home last Saturday night from Scotty's party. I'd nearly reached home when some idiot stepped on it."—T. V. Flare.

It is understood that the U.F.A. provincial executive can make no decision between convention as to the official attitude in the next election, but that locals are free to follow their own wish in each riding.

Wilfred Eggleston whose press gallery news from Ottawa is a popular feature of many papers, has been named assistant secretary of the Dominion Royal Commission on financial and other relations of the provinces.

Over thirty pupils daily attend T.V. high school from the south-end.—Turner Valley Flare.

Imagine importing a man from England at a far greater salary than ever obtained by the "starving amidst plenty" in Alberta, and undertaking to pay \$2750 toward his moving expenses, as well.—Blairmore Enterprise.

When they asked Susie Thickbrush to sign the recall, she said: "Sure, I just got through signing the Too Blue one."—T. V. Flare.

The air ministry of Britain has granted the right to sell airplanes to the Chinese.

"I never see your name in the papers," remarked a constituent to the M.L.A. "Don't you ever make a speech?" "Certainly," replied the member. "Look here. Here is a full report of the Premier's speech, and at the end you will notice in brackets the word 'murmurs.' Well—I was the man who murmured."—Morning Albertan.

Said Rev. W. H. Irwin of First United Church, Lethbridge on Sunday: "I resent the Fascist tendencies of the day! When I heard Mr. Nolan say in the Lethbridge arena 'Anyone who, on the platform, in the press, or over the radio, says anything against this (People's) League, he should be denounced as an enemy of the country,' and when I hear Mr. Aberhart say the truth about the government shall be that which the agents of the government prescribe as truth and the papers shall publish none other, I tremble for the safety of a democracy which has been dearly bought."

New wells reported to be starting action in the Valley are: Brown Corporation 4, Brown-United No. 1, Royallite No. 27, Royallite No. 28, Royal-Canadian Scottish No. 1, Mid-Royal No. 1, Bersac, Model-Moose Dome No. 1, Davies Petroleum No. 3, Home-Brazeau No. 1, Taber Oils No. 1 and 2, Norcon-Kootenay Dome No. 1, and Battleview-Wainwright. Of this number six are in wild-cat areas.

Cancel Licenses

The Amherstburg Echo believes the horror publicity campaign now being carried on by the Highways Department, should be followed up with the elimination entirely or suspension of drivers' licenses together with stiff gaol terms suited to the offence. It feels that this would reduce fatal and near fatal automobile accidents more quickly than any other way. If every motor accident were followed by suspension of a license it would very soon curb recklessness which, after all, is the cause of the great majority of accidents, even minor ones, says the Echo. With this view The Examiner quite concurs. On more than one occasion we have urged the suspension or cancellation of drivers' licenses as the most effective punishment for serious offences against the Highway Traffic Act.

Secession . . .

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There is no such analogy. There is no Statute of Westminster governing the relations between the Dominion and the provinces. Those relations are governed by the British North America act which makes no provision expressly or by implication for the dissolution of the confederacy into its component parts. Apart from a recasting of Confederation by the common consent and agreement of all its parts, by annexation of Canada with the United States or by conquest from without, the provinces of Canada will ever remain part and parcel of the Dominion, and the province of Alberta will remain a province of Canada.—Edmonton Journal.

B. H. Tupper, Cassils farmer, dug 10 pounds of potatoes from a single hill this week, uncovering 11 big tubers which had been produced from a single "eye" planted last spring. One potato, a veritable giant, is nine inches from tip to tip and measures the same distance in circumference.—Brooks Bulletin.

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AUCTION SALE

Owing to ill health, the undersigned is giving up farming and the following will be sold by Public Auction at the owner's farm, 2½ miles North of Vulcan on the gravel highway.

Wednesday, Oct. 13th

Commencing at 10:30 o'clock

HORSES—Bay Gelding, 11 years, 1600 lbs.; Bay Gelding, 13 years, 1700 lbs.; and Bay Gelding, 13 years, 1600 lbs.; Bay Team, aged 3000 lbs.

10 CATTLE—6 Heifers, 2 and 3 years, of a good milking strain; 4 Spring Calves.

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FURNITURE—Winnipeg Couch; Dresser; 4 Chairs; Rocker; Tables; 2 Beds; Porcelain Finish 6-hole McClary Range; .22 Rifle; Coleman Gas Lamp; 3 doz. Quarts Canned Fruit; Oil Lamps; McClary Heater; Empty Sealers; Assortment of Dishes and Cooking Utensils.

1928 Chevrolet Sedan in good running order and with good tires.

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Loans Made to 57,634 Albertans This Year . . . Sixty Per Cent to Individuals . . . How a Bank is Formed . . . Shareholders Face "Double Liability" . . . Banks Regulated by Canadian People Through Parliament . . . Deals With Bank Services . . . 49,000 Shareholders Own Canada's Chartered Banks . . . No Concentration of Power . . . Tells About Alberta's Bank Depositors and Shareholders.

THIS year, between the first day of January and the last day of August, Canada's Chartered Banks have made loans to no fewer than 57,634 Alberta customers. Who got those loans? 20,502 of them went direct to farmers and ranchers. Other individuals obtained 13,050 loans. 1,701 home-owners got Home Improvement Loans — so that Canada's Chartered Banks this year, have extended new loans to 35,253 individuals — farmers, ranchers, home-owners and other private borrowers. Commercial loans numbering 13,926 have been made to other than individuals in the same period; municipalities and school districts also obtained many new loans.

Out of 57,634 new loans made this year in Alberta, more than 60 per cent of them went to individuals. Don't let anyone tell you we've stopped lending in Alberta.

Now, I return to the question, "What is a bank?" As I said in an earlier broadcast: "Above all things a bank is a place where you or your children can deposit money with absolute assurance that any time you demand it you can get it back in full, intact and with interest."

A bank is formed by a group of responsible people who believe that they can offer a service which a community needs and is willing to pay for, at a rate which will yield a reasonable profit. These are the motives of any business.

Those desiring to form the bank name five Provisional Directors, who then must petition the Dominion Parliament for an Act of Incorporation. The Bank Act demands that the Provisional Directors must themselves be subscribers to shares in the bank. The Bank Act is a Dominion law — without such law the business of accepting the people's deposits and making loans would be wholly without safeguard.

After Parliament has acted, the Provisional Directors are authorized to invite public subscriptions for the shares. Before any person buys any share the statute requires that there be placed before him, in large type, Section 125 of the Bank Act, which informs him that if the bank becomes insolvent, the shareholder will be liable to pay *once more* an amount equal to the par value of his shares. This is what is known as "double liability." Since the Bank of Canada was opened the double liability has been slightly modified and, as this central bank under Government control, assumes more and more the right of note issue, the double liability of chartered bank shareholders will be further adjusted.

You will see that the law puts a serious responsibility upon the shareholder and deliberately forces it upon his attention, in order that those who are going to handle other people's money must realize their responsibility to the full. The people are thus safeguarded against fly-by-night promoters.

When Half a Million Dollars worth of stock, in the new bank has been subscribed and half of that amount paid up, this \$250,000 must be placed in the hands of the Minister of Finance. When the Minister is satisfied that the public interest is safeguarded, he returns the \$250,000 to the bank and issues a certificate permitting the bank to open for business. The Bank Act then becomes its charter. Any idea that this bank has to put money into Government Bonds to obtain currency is wholly without foundation.

Canada's Chartered Banks do not enjoy a monopoly of the right to print money. They never *did* enjoy any such monopoly. You often hear it said that Canada's Chartered Banks alone can "Make money" and that we can print our own notes and circulate them in unlimited amounts — such statements are absolutely false. Up to 1934 each Chartered Bank had the right to issue notes — not in unlimited amounts — but only up to the amount of the capital actually paid up. There were two exceptions to this rule — the first was that

we were permitted to make a fifteen per cent increase in note issue, for a limited period only, for crop moving purposes. The second exception was that over our paid-up capital we could issue dollar for dollar against gold or Dominion notes, deposited in the central gold reserves. These exceptions are no longer in force.

With the Bank of Canada established, and controlled by the Dominion Government we can now issue our own notes only up to ninety per cent of the amount of our paid-up capital. Every year there is to be a further reduction. The Bank of Canada issues notes and as the note issue right of the Chartered Banks is progressively cut down the Bank of Canada's note issue will take its place. In other words, the right to issue our own notes is being steadily taken from us and vested in the Bank of Canada, which, I would remind you, is the Government's central bank, not a chartered bank.

I pointed out, in an earlier broadcast, that no business is subject to such complete control and such Parliamentary scrutiny as are the Chartered Banks. Can you name another business in Canada in which every company's charter automatically expires at one time and can only be renewed after Parliamentary investigation?

Although the Bank Act can be amended at any time by Parliament every ten years bank charters expire and the Act is thrown open for what is known as the "decennial revision" — which is a most sweeping and searching inquiry, conducted by the Banking and Commerce Committee of the House of Commons. Mr. Norman Jaques, M.P., for Wetaskiwin; Mr. J. C. Landervou, M.P. for Calgary East, and Mr. Victor Quelch, M.P. for Acadia, are the Alberta Members of the Banking and Commerce Committee. It is a large Committee, with every Province and every political party represented, so you see that the people do not lack in any sense, for the most penetrating examination of the business of banking. Who regulates the banks? None other than the Canadian people, through their elected representatives.

Into the Bank Act, by reason of the work of the Committee from year to year, have been built all of the safeguards arising from the lessons of the past.

Now I would like to deal with the services that a bank performs. These are many and varied. The bank accepts and safeguards your deposits and extends the credit based upon them to responsible people.

Alberta folk will easily follow the illustration of bank credit I'm now going to give you. This is harvest-time and in the fortunate parts of the Province the farmer is starting to haul his grain to the elevator. When he delivers his wagon-load there, he gets a grain ticket.

He takes the ticket into the bank and the bank gives him cash for it.

What does the bank do with the grain ticket then?

At the end of the day the bank lists separately all of the grain tickets issued by each elevator company. It sends them to Calgary or Winnipeg, to be collected from the Head Office of the Elevator Company which issues the tickets.

How does the Elevator Company redeem the tickets? During the movement of a heavy crop, such a company is not likely to have sufficient funds of its own to purchase all of the grain handled from day to day.

So the bank advances the sum required against the security of the grain, until the buyer in Liverpool pays for it. The bank collects from him. The proceeds go to the grain company which pays off the money the bank advanced.

What happens is this:

The farmer gets his cash on delivery of the grain to the elevator without any waiting. And the bank provides credit from that moment

on, until the grain is paid for, probably *months* later.

Let me point out that the "tickets" were anchored to something — in this case they were anchored to the finest form of real wealth — new wealth — grain, newly produced from the soil. You know no *ship* can be anchored safely unless the anchor is firmly embedded in something.

We extend bank credit to people who can, with some certainty, be expected to repay. We can only lend to responsible people because we ourselves are responsible to the depositors.

The banks provide the machinery for carrying out dozens of widely-varied, day-to-day transactions; simplifying business and facilitating the exchange of goods and services. The bank provides a place for you to leave in safe custody valuable documents or other papers; your title deeds; your life and fire insurance policies; valuables such as jewelry; and stocks and bonds. The bank collects your commercial bills, either at home or abroad. It transfers money from one part of the country to another, as you may require; and it takes care of shipment and safeguarding of securities. These are only examples of the services a Chartered Bank performs.

No doubt many of our listeners have been told that banks simply swap cheques. There seems to be an idea that there is never any settlement between banks. Here is another homely illustration: Tom Smith, in Calgary, runs a clothing store and Jim McGregor goes in to buy a suit of clothes. He gives Tom Smith his cheque for, say \$27.50. The cheque is drawn on Jim's bank — let's call it Bank A. On the other hand Tom does business with Bank B so Tom deposits Jim's cheque in Bank B and immediately gets credit for the face amount.

But then what happens? Does Bank B simply send the cheque to Bank A, and does Bank A simply cancel that cheque and destroy it, after deducting the \$27.50 from Jim's account?

No — what does happen is this — Before Jim McGregor's cheque gets back to Jim's bank it has to go through the Clearing House. The Clearing House is part of a national system, under which settlements are effected through the Bank of Canada. Daily each bank gathers together and totals the cheques deposited with it which are drawn upon each of the other banks. Every morning these are taken to the Clearing House. Where it is found that one bank has a balance due to it from any other bank, the difference is settled daily, through the Bank of Canada, by the payment of cash — not chartered bank bills — cash. This ultimate settlement through the Clearing House system is altogether ignored, or is too little understood, by many of those who criticize the Banks.

It is not difficult to understand when reduced to its simplest terms. We point out to you that, if Jim McGregor's cheque was the only cheque issued that day, Jim's Bank, Bank A, would have had to pay to Tom's bank, Bank B, the sum of \$27.50 in cash — bills of the Bank of Canada.

Every balance between banks is ultimately settled in cash.

Now who *owns* the banks? There are more than 49,000 shareholders in Canada's Chartered Banks, more than 500 of them in Alberta. Most of the shareholdings are small — the average is less than 30 shares. Many of the shareholders are *women* to whom bank shares have been *willed* or Trustees who hold the shares for Estates of persons who have died. Many others are individuals who, after a lifetime of toil have sold their farms, or other holdings, and invested their money in bank shares as a source of income. These are examples to show the kind of people who own Canada's Banks. These are the people who are accused of being a part of the fabled "International Ring." They are mostly Canadians,

your fellow-citizens, and most of the business that is done by their banks is Canadian business. Some of you may have been given a word-picture of a small group of men, owning all the banks, sitting around a table and conspiring daily to use all of everybody else's money for their own profit. Let us examine it — There is no concentration of power in the hands of any small group. The shareholders annually elect, of their own free choice, 167 Directors of known and proven business ability. Their work is to safeguard the interests of the shareholders, note-holders and depositors, in co-operation with the salaried executives — every one of whom started out as a junior in some small branch. These Directors own less than four per cent of the shares issued.

Banks each month have to report to the Government sworn particulars of the loans made to Bank Directors and to firms in which they are partners and loans for which they are guarantors. The most recent return shows that these advances are only a 108th part of the total bank loans.

No Director of a bank may vote, nor may he even be present at a meeting of the Board, when loans to himself, or any business concern in which he is a partner or director, are under consideration.

About 40% of Canada's people have savings deposits. Applying the same percentage to the population of Alberta it would appear that roughly 240,000 Albertans are savings depositors. A bank deposit is a loan to the bank. It is a debt owing by the bank. If there is a tyranny in lending are the banks tyrannized by the depositors? When a friend borrows from another is the lender a tyrant? We leave the answer to our listeners.

Parliament in its wisdom, acting upon recommendations of the Banking and Commerce Committee from time to time, has legislated to prevent the banks from doing certain things.

A bank may not lend money on mortgages, for loans must be of short term and quickly realizable. A bank is forbidden to engage in trade. It cannot buy, or lend, against its own shares or those of any other bank.

There are provisions that restrict a bank in lending to any Director. It cannot let its name appear on certain prospectuses. It cannot let its staff represent insurance companies and there are heavy penalties laid down for violation of these and other provisions of the Bank Act.

Canada's Chartered Banks are not your masters; they are not tyrannical; they are *your servants* — The Canadian People, through their Parliament, have so legislated as to keep them that way.

Just before my time is up, I would like to say that I have before me a poster which an organization in Edmonton is sending out over the Province. It says, "Tax the Banks — it Costs them Nothing."

The poster to which I have referred presumes to quote from the Encyclopaedia Britannica, but I assure you that the extracts are divorced from their context and are so used as to convey a meaning exactly opposite from the meaning intended by the author, Mr. R. G. Hawtrey, an officer of the British Treasury.

You all know that when *you* pay taxes it costs you something. A bank is no different, in that respect, from any of you. Would your own municipality say that when the bank pays its taxes, the municipality gets nothing? However, we do not plan to waste time on absurdities, but let me say just this: That we showed you last week, that 180 bank branches in Alberta were operated at a loss in 1935, and that new and added taxes had since been imposed.

We showed you the alternative — either pass the added charges on to our customers, or close branches to the point where ends can be made to meet. If it cost us *nothing* to pay taxes, we would have no such alternative to worry about.

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Pertinent Topics

(By H. C.)

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springs eternal, and weak or aggrieved nations still appeal to it with hope if not with confidence. Wellington Koo, for China, asked for sanctions against Japan, just as poor old Selassie did for Ethiopia, under like conditions. Sanctions were applied, all except the one which would be effective, the military one. The rest is recent history. Ethiopia fell into the hands of the aggressor and invader, but the League does not "recognize" that fact. Mr. Koo can be assured that any part of China that falls to Japan will not be recognized as having fallen to Japan.

Hitler told an immense concourse of his people lately that victory in the Great War might have been a disaster for them, because Germany might in that case have become the victim of "certain trends" that now afflict the winning powers. We hope he carries that thought to its logical conclusion and refrains from a war in which he might be victorious, with all the horrible consequences that might follow victory. But he has no intention of being deterred by such a possibility for he told his Nazi legions that they are better soldiers than their predecessors of 1914. It is not true, but he wants to spur them on to a disastrous victory that might end in "certain trends," from which Germany is now so happily free.

Federal Liberal members in Ontario were placed in a difficult position by Mr. Hepburn's repudiation of Mr. King. Hon. Norman Rogers, Minister of Labor, spoke for the Hepburn candidate in his own riding. Politically he could not afford to do otherwise, but he gently reproved the provincial premier. Liberalism, he proudly added should be broad enough to include differences. Miss McPhail, M.P., does not pretend to Liberalism or Toryism either. She announced she was opposed to Hepburn but would support his candidate. Not very logical, of course, but political exigencies often dictate illogical courses. Most of the federal Liberal members took but little part in the campaign.

Rev. Dr. Roberts says there will be no prayers offered for victory in the next war, but he is wrong. Both sides, all sides, offered up prayers in the last war. We do not know what effect they had, outside of stimulating human effort, but we still think the cause of right prevailed against tremendous odds. How is the reverend doctor going to prevent them if people feel like offering up prayers in the next war that victory shall be achieved by nations that did nothing to provoke war and everything to prevent it, nations that endured much and turned the cheek, that showed patience and forbearance against violence and ruthlessness?

An Italian lady visiting Canada says Mussolini is a charming man with a fine sense of humor and not the fierce, forbidding individual that published photographs would suggest. He won't thank her for this. It suits his purpose to be thought ferocious, hence the scowl.

We may well believe it true that the Canadian delegates voted against the Spanish (loyalist) government having a seat in the League Council, thus splitting the Empire vote. Its action in recalling Dr. Riddell because he moved for sanctions against Italy in the Ethiopian dispute gives ample reason for the assumption that Italy has some influence in this country.

Roosevelt's scheme to regenerate the Supreme Court lost him a good deal of popular support, and his nomination of Senator Hugo Black to a seat in the Court is losing him more. It turns out that Black was a Ku Klux Klansman. That hooded organization made war against Roman Catholics, Jews and negroes. The President did not know that his appointee had been a member of that dubious society. At any rate, he did not know it could be proven. By making this unhappy choice he has added millions to the number that do not believe it is safe to give the President the power to pack the bench. He does not like admitting an error but he will have to tell Mr. Justice Black that his resignation would be acceptable.

Mr. Aberhart has no cause to complain if an Act passed by himself is put in operation against him. He has more cause to congratulate himself or having made the requirements for recall so stiff. We thought it impossible to secure a two-thirds recall vote in any riding.

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Press Control

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neighboring provinces. These already have large circulation in Alberta, and would have an unfair advantage over the Alberta newspapers.

Power to Destroy

The penalties provided in the act, give the government power to prevent publication of information in a newspaper, and also give the power to destroy the very existence of the newspaper.

Legislation Proposes

The legislation proposes:

1. To compel Alberta newspapers to publish government prepared political propaganda as news.
2. To deprive the individual injured by such government propaganda of the protection hitherto afforded him by the courts.
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5. To destroy newspapers that refuse to bow to the will of the chairman of the Social Credit Board and the dictatorship set up by legislation.
6. To give the government power to discriminate against newspapers that publish criticisms of government policy.
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The petroleum industry, along with other industries, has always been willing to support a reasonable and equitable tax program. But when discriminatory taxation reaches the point when the taxes paid annually by a single industry equal the total annual payroll, it is time that effective steps were taken to combat a situation that can only end in economic disaster.

As collectors of the gasoline tax, filling station operators large and small, may labor under the delusion the public is paying the tax bill and the vendor himself is not losing any money in the operation. That is not the case. When one third of the amount the customer pays goes to the government, a good proportion of that one-third would otherwise go into the purchase price of more petroleum products.

No one disputes that governments must levy taxes. But in recent years there has been a tendency either to make it too much or to shift more of the load on the back of industry.

Unfortunately - political reasons have sometimes been back of such policies. "Letting George run the government" has opened the door for politics and closed it to statesmanship.

DIES AT CALGARY

Herman Mensinger, former well known farmer of the Vulcan district, passed away in Calgary hospital at the age of 79 years. Mr. Mensinger came to Alberta from Clinton, Iowa, and is survived by one brother, Fred, of Vulcan.



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